

## **Summary of Incidents thru 6/26**

### **2010 Rainbow Gathering**

### **Allegheny National Forest**

#### **Drug Related, 36 CFR 261.53(e) – 111 VNs Issued**

- 63 - Violation notices issued for possession of paraphernalia used to ingest marijuana
- 1 - Violation notice issued for possession of paraphernalia (hypodermic needles), used to inject morphine and Phenobarbital
- 36 - Violation notices issued for possession of cannabis
- 2 - Violation notice issued for possession of valium, controlled substance, without a prescription
- 1 - Violation notice issued for possession of oxycodone HCL (30mg), schedule II controlled substance
- 1 - Violation notice issued for possession of adderal, schedule II controlled substance
- 5 - Violation notice issued for possession of prescription drugs without prescription
- 1 - Violation notice issued for possession of trazodone-hydrochlorine, controlled substance
- 1 - Violation notice issued for possession of naproxen 500mg, controlled substance

#### **Traffic and Vehicle Related, 36 CFR 261.54(d) – 45 VNs Issued**

- 20 - Violation notices issued for violation of Pennsylvania motor vehicle law, operating a motor vehicle with no proof of financial responsibility
- 5 - Violation notices issued for violation of Pennsylvania motor vehicle law, operating a motor vehicle in violation of license restrictions
- 3 - Violation notices issued for violation of Pennsylvania motor vehicle law, operating a motor vehicle on a suspended driver's license
- 4 - Violation notices issued for violation of Pennsylvania motor vehicle law, excessive speed, near the gathering on a narrow, winding road
- 3 - Violation notices issued for violation of Pennsylvania motor vehicle law, careless, reckless, disregard for safety of others

1- Violation notices for violation of Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code. Operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license

4 - Violation notices issued for violation of Pennsylvania motor vehicle law, failure to wear safety belts/restraints (small children)

4 - Violation notice issued for violation of Pennsylvania motor vehicle law, expired vehicle registration.

1 - Blocking or restricting use of a road or gate.

#### **Assault/Officer Interference, 36 CFR 261.3(a) and (b) - 15 VNs Issued**

##### **36 CFR 261.3(a)**

7 - Violation notices issued for threatening, resisting, intimidating, or interfering with any forest officer engaged in or on account of the performance of his official duties in the protection, improvement, or administration of the National Forest System.

- 1) LEOs made contact at A Camp to request a vehicle to be moved out of the roadway. The subject became argumentative, as he refused to cooperative and remove his hands from his pockets. The subject was under the influence of alcohol.
- 2) LEOs while assisting Pennsylvania State Police, regarding an alleged sexual assault, had a subject refuse to identify himself. He provided false identity information to the officers.
- 3) LEOs made contact with the occupants of a vehicle, when an individual, under the influence of alcohol and not associated with the vehicle, stumbled into the roadway towards the LEOs. She began yelling at the officers. The LEOs asked the subject to move off the roadway, and continued advancing towards the LEOs.
- 4) LEOs made contact with the occupants of a vehicle, when an individual failed to provide identification after the Officer asked repeatedly. The driver attempted to start the vehicle and drive away. The driver was uncooperative and belligerent.
- 5) As LEOs were driving by participants of the gathering along the roadside, an object struck the law enforcement vehicle. Officers exited the vehicle and identified and individual who admitted to throwing a piece of coal at the vehicle and subsequently leaving a mark on the law enforcement vehicle.
- 6) LEOs made contact with the passenger of a vehicle who refused to identify himself. He was uncooperative and subsequently two identification cards were found with different names were used to identify him.
- 7) LEOs made contact with an individual who had removed "NO PARKING" signs, pink flagging and placed them in the middle of Forest Road 119, effectively blocking

the roadway. The individual stated he placed the signs in the roadway, and when issued violation notices refused to accept them, stating he would burn the violation notices, as he crumbled and threw them into the tree line.

- 8) LEOs observed a large black dog running back and forth across the roadway under no control. The LEOs observed the dog jump into a vehicle and into the lap of an individual claiming the dog as his. The subject refused the officer's repeated request to step out of the vehicle and also their requests for him to provide identification. After numerous repeated requests the subject eventually exited the vehicle and produced his identification. The subject was issued a warning notice for a dog off leash and a violation notice for interfering with Forest Officers.
- 9) After conducting a traffic stop a K-9 sniff detected the presence of narcotics in the vehicle. The operator was asked to step out of the vehicle and she refused. The officers then directed the driver to step out of the vehicle and she continued to refuse. Officers opened the driver's side door of the vehicle and attempted to remove the driver who actively resisted by gripping the steering wheel and pulling against the officer. The driver was removed from the vehicle and placed in handcuffs. The subject was then placed in a patrol vehicle until the search of her vehicle was concluded. The subject was issued a warning notice for the traffic infraction and violation notices for interfering with a Forest Officer and for possession of cannabis.
- 10) Officers contacted an individual who was standing in the bed of a moving pick-up truck and advised him to sit down for his own safety. The individual had previously been cited and for interference with officers. After the individual sat down the individual shouted at the officers, by name, that he "was watching them" and that they needed to "watch their backs". As the vehicle drove away the subject formed his hand into the shape of a pistol and pretended to shoot the officers. The vehicle was stopped a short time later and the individual was cited for threatening a Forest Officer.
- 11) Officers contacted an individual who was parked adjacent to an oil well obstructing the owner's access to the well. The officers could see an individual in the vehicle but he was not responsive to the officer's verbal requests or their knocking on the vehicle windows. Brown did eventually respond and conversed with officers through the open door of his motorhome. Officers requested the subject to move his vehicle and he immediately became verbally argumentative and wanted to know whose property it was and why he should have to move. Subject then flatly refused the officer's request to move his vehicle. Officers repeatedly requested subject to step out of his vehicle and the subject turned and slammed the door in the officer's face. Officers opened the door and grasped the subject's arm and attempted to remove him from the vehicle. The subject physically resisted by pulling his arms away from the officers and twisting his body in an attempt to break free. The subject was placed on the

ground and handcuffed after which he was placed in a patrol vehicle for the remainder of the contact.

**36 CFR 261.3(b) Providing false/fictitious information 4 VNs Issued**

4 – Violation notices issued for giving any false, fictitious or fraudulent report or other information to any Forest Officer engaged in or on account of the performance of his official duties knowing that such report or other information contains false, fictitious or fraudulent statement or entry.

- 1) LEOs made contact with the occupants of a vehicle for throwing a partial can of beer out the window of a moving pickup truck. The LEOs discovered a hypodermic needle within the vehicle pursuant to probable cause and consent. The subject initially denied the needle was his and the subject indicated he in fact lied and stated the needle was his and used to inject methadone contrary to his prescription instructions.
- 2) LEOs made contact with the driver of a vehicle who attempted to conceal his identity and use his brother's identification. The driver stated he did not have his license, and provided the LEOs with his brother's name and DOB. He subsequently admitted to use his brother's identity because his driver's license was suspended.
- 3) Refer to # 2 above, the passenger of the above mentioned contact attempted to conceal her boyfriend's identity because she knew her boyfriend's license was suspended and did not want him to get in trouble.
- 4) LEOs made contact with an individual who provided false information to LEOs when asked for information. The individual attempted to conceal his identity by providing false information.

- Approximately 1300 people
- Around 300 incidents
- 60% are warnings and paperwork (not tickets)
- Of the 40% that are tickets
  - approximately  $\frac{1}{4}$  are traffic related. (200-300 cars). This is not an unusual number when you have any event with this number of participants and vehicles.
  - 40-45% are related to drugs

We continue to work with other agencies and cooperators to manage for the health and safety of gathering participants, other members of the public and employees.

Working together cooperatively with gathering participants to address resource concerns.